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This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

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1. claims: 1-14, 16 and 17, 18 as far as they refer to claim 16

Process for the preparation of hydrocarbons and dimethyl ether

2. claims: claims 15 and 17, 18 as far as they refer to claim 15

Process for the preparation of liquid fuel and light olefins
